

*****February 25, 2020*****

The Signal Mountain Town Council held a special meeting on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 in the Walden's Ridge Utility District (WRUD) office. The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Those present were:

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Town of Signal Mountain (TOSM)

Mayor Dan Landrum
Councilmember Cheryl Graham
Councilmember Bill Lusk
Councilmember Susannah Murdock

Walden's Ridge Utility District (WRUD)

President Frank Groves
Vice-President Robert McKenzie
Secretary David Fulton

Also present were:

Town Manager Boyd Veal
Town Attorney Harry Cash
WRUD General Manager Ron West
Finance Director/Town Recorder Carol White
~~See attached list for others present~~

The special called meeting was convened as the Water Board.

WRUD President, Frank Groves, welcomed the Signal Mountain Council. TOSM Council and WRUD Board discussed the mutual benefits of a water line interconnection between the two utilities. They identified and discussed the various factors to be considered, including whether this interconnection is just for emergency supply or can be utilized for other purposes.

WRUD General Manager, Ron West, said he does not agree with the engineering study performed by ARCADIS for TOSM and WRUD. Mr. West said that three 6" lines will not provide sufficient water and asked TOSM to consider a 12" line connection.

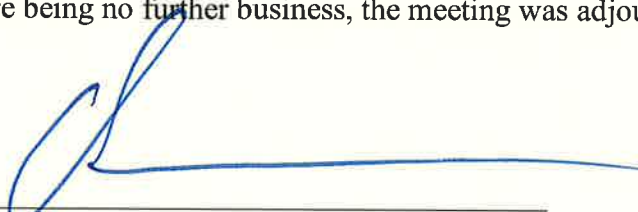
Town Manager, Boyd Veal, suggested that if the Town were to invest in a 12" line for the connection, that there is some advantage to both parties for the TOSM utility to serve approximately 100 homes northern portion of their current service area.

There was extensive discussion of the need for WRUD to pump water versus the Town of Signal Mountain's ability to use gravity feeding to transport water into the utility system.

After further discussion it was agreed that an interconnection would benefit both utility companies. WRUD planned to investigate the ability and costs to use a temporary pumping system in case of emergency over a permanent pump station. In addition, Mr. West will provide materials costs to install a 12" line from James to Miles Road. Mr. Veal will investigate if the TOSM contract with

Tennessee American Water Company (TAW) presents any issues with regards to testing an interconnection system. In addition, TOSM will investigate the subsurface conditions of Miles Road.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.



Dan Landrum, Mayor



Recorder